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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Lebby, Michael S.)
Serial No.: 10/769,967) Ex: Healy, Brian
Filed: 2 February 2004) Art Unit: 2883
For: SELF EJECT LATCH MECHANISM FOR)
AN OPTICAL TRANSCEIVER MODULE)

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed 29 September 2004 in the above identified patent application. A shortened statutory period for response was set for 3 months, up to and including 29 December 2005. A petition for a one month extension of time, to and including 29 January 2005, is included herewith.

Claims 1-8 are pending in the application.

Claims 7 and 8 are allowed.

Claims 1 and 3 stand rejected.

Claims 2 and 4-6 are objected to.

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Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.